



## **The Doctrine of Salvation**

Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem, chapters 26-43

### **II. What does the term salvation mean in the Bible?**

Exodus 14:13-14

Moses answered the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the salvation of the Lord that he will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. [14] The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still."

- The exodus from Egypt
- Deliverance from calamity

Psalm 27:1

The Lord is my light and my salvation--  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life--  
of whom shall I be afraid?

- Experiential and personal deliverance and relationship with God

Ephes. 1:13-14

And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession--to the praise of his glory.

- The result of hearing and believing the gospel
- All that God makes true for us in Christ

Romans 5:9-11

<sup>9</sup> Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. <sup>11</sup> And not only *this*, but we also celebrate in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation

- Deliverance from eternal condemnation
- Deliverance from the power of sin and enablement for sanctification

1 Thess. 5:9

For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- Deliverance from the wrath of God

A. The Hebrew and Greek words for salvation

- Hebrew means to be brought into a spacious place, freedom from constraint

- Greek means deliverance from circumstances and/or consequences of sin

## B. Salvation in the Old Testament

### 1B. false views

- Saved by the covenant of circumcision
- Saved by keeping the Law
- Saved by the sacrificial system
- Saved by trying to keep the Law and offering sacrifices for sin

### 2B. Biblical view of Old Testament salvation (Hebrews 10:1-18, Rom. 4:1-8)

- Saved by Jesus' atoning sacrifice for our sins, by grace through in Christ

## C. Salvation in the New Testament

1C. Past Tense: saved from the penalty of sin

2C. Present Tense: saved from the power of sin

3C. Future Tense: saved from the presence of sin

D. Evangelical position: Salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone in Christ alone